

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: Explosives Workers, Ordnance Handling Experts, and Blasters (47-5031)

Associated Occupation: Loading Machine Operators, Underground Mining (53-7033)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 64

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Mechanical	6.8	13.0	10.2	< Expanded education and/or training may be required
Production and Processing	6.0	8.6	9.6	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Law and Government	5.9	8.4	13.5	>> Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
Transportation	4.6	7.2	9.6	>> Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 57

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Operation and Control	5.4	9.8	10.0	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Operation Monitoring	6.6	9.6	10.3	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Repairing	3.4	8.3	5.0	<< Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Equipment Maintenance	3.5	7.9	5.6	<< Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Troubleshooting	4.5	7.7	7.5	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Equipment Selection	3.3	5.5	6.1	> Skill level is likely sufficient

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 76			
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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Control Precision	6.6	12.2	11.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Multilimb Coordination	6.0	10.6	11.2	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Depth Perception	5.3	10.5	9.7	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Reaction Time	4.8	10.3	12.3	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Rate Control	3.8	9.1	7.6	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Speed of Limb Movement	3.2	6.4	6.0	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Spatial Orientation	2.7	5.9	4.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Night Vision	2.1	5.5	3.8	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Peripheral Vision	2.2	5.4	3.8	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 69
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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Perform safety inspections in construction or resource extraction setting	46	
Use hand or power tools	2	
Use measuring devices in construction or extraction work	41	
Use two-way radio or mobile phone	42	

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common	Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: n/a
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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
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Tools and technology data is unavailable for one or both occupations.

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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